



East Lake Sammamish Trail  
**29, 2000 Neighborhood Workshop**  
Green Team Notes  
**Figure 1, 2 and 3 map**

### **Trailheads, Access and Parking**

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**The Master Plan will identify designated points for people to access the trail. We want to provide enough so that people won't try to access the trail through private driveways. Is trail access appropriate in this section of the trail right-of-way? If so, what and where are the appropriate access locations?**

- Access should be provided at Marymoor Park and the south end only—there's more room there
- There should be a curfew (1/2 hour after dusk) along the trail
- Cut off main access to trail in the evening

**What kind of amenities should be located at access points? Should the amenities be different when access is provided from off-street parking?**

- None noted

**The Master Plan will identify a combination of on-street and off-street parking along the length of the trail. What route do you anticipate local residents will take to access the trail? What parking options do you think would work best in this section of the trail right-of-way?**

- No extra parking for trail users in this section, it is too narrow
- Parking on Lake Sammamish Parkway is inappropriate for trail users—parking passes for area residents should be issued

### **Trail Crossings, Amenities and Users**

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**Where the trail crosses a street or driveway, there is a potential conflict between those who are on the trail and those who are on the street or driveway. What trail crossings are potentially unsafe for residents in this section? What can be done to improve safety at trail crossing locations?**

- Left-hand turns at Magnuson Place could create congestion
- Have maze structure to slow bikers and stop signs for drivers
- Have sensors and flashing lights to warn bikers about oncoming cars
- Will there be indemnification from accidents with trail users?

**The number of property owners using a vehicle crossing, the stacking room available between the trail and the roadway, vehicle and user speed (depends on distance available to build speed), and sight distance are all considerations used in determining who should have the right-of-way. Given these considerations, who do you think should have the right-of-way at each of the roadway crossings in this section of the trail?**

- Drivers should have right-of-way
- Consider right-of-way for drivers on East Lake Sammamish Parkway



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**The Master Plan will provide for amenities such as restrooms, benches, public open space, interpretative signs and litter receptacles at certain locations along the length of the trail. Are there other amenities that should be considered? Which make sense in this section of the trail, and where should they be located?**

- Provide trash and recycling receptacles with adequate maintenance
- Trash cans must be emptied frequently—they would have to be accessed at driveways
- Other litter should be picked up only on east side of Parkway
- No existing landscape elements should be removed

**Are you aware of any lore, legends or local history about your neighborhood that would be interesting and appropriate to note along the trail?**

- First house in area built in 1912 (address: 3310?)

**What special considerations should be given to locating amenities along this section of the trail?**

- None noted

**A significant element of the Master Plan is planning for different types of users. Different uses require different trail standards, as summarized below:**

- 1) Pedestrians
- 2) Non-motorized wheeled activities
- 3) Equestrians
- 4) All uses require a trail safely separated from existing vehicle routes

**Which of these uses, given their spatial requirements and existing adjacent land uses, seem feasible in this section of the trail?**

- Impact of horses is a concern
- Safety is an issue with respect to width of trail (i.e., steep vs. narrow grade)
- Widening of trail to accommodate users could eliminate nesting areas
- Concerns about physical crowding, congestion, and too much activity on trail
- Pets—leash and poop-scooping should be required
- Concern that more people will bike—most pedestrians will be locals
- Pedestrians need to be accommodated

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#### **Separating Public and Private Uses**

**Different edge treatments can be used to separate trail uses from private uses. Fencing, vegetation, and signage are techniques we have identified to date. Can you think of others?**

- Stream crossings should have bridges
- There should be no culverts, so that fish habitat can be protected and aesthetics maintained
- More signage should be posted to inform people of private property
- Signage should be posted in the middle of the trail corridor, not just at the trailheads
- Install chain link fencing, screens and shrubs for security



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To determine what type of delineation is appropriate, consideration should be given to the following:

- 1) Security and privacy for the adjacent property owners
- 2) Safety and aesthetics for trail users
- 3) Protecting natural resources and wildlife corridors

At this time, what kind of edge treatments do you think are appropriate for this section of the trail? Where should the edge treatment be located in relation to the proposed trail?

- The trail is narrow in this section—it's important to keep beautification rights 15' from rail bed to property
- Each owner needs a gate
- Have someone policing trails
- Create special character with the edge treatments
- Eagles habitat should be protected, especially at Marymoor Park
- This is a remote section of trail that includes an incubation hatchery of Coho salmon
- Recent silt run off from King County work has killed fish, this should not be allowed to reoccur
- Deer need access to water—fencing would have ecological impacts
- What about deer? 4' fence could be adequate for deer

#### **Trail Alignments**

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**Under what conditions should the trail be routed off the rail bed?**

- Trail should be close to Parkway for emergency access
- Align trail along existing county-owned land, not other way around—no flexibility
- Build cheapest version of trail—on existing road within 60' of right-of-way

**Are there places in this section of the trail where these conditions exist? After reviewing the enclosed Class1 Trail Standards, can you think of a potentially feasible off rail bed trail alignment in this section that you believe could meet Class I trail standards and mitigate the conditions you identified? Please explain.**

- Most participants agree to a trail alignment on the East Lake Sammamish Parkway

#### **General Comments**

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- Will there be reimbursement for damage to existing landscaping/plantings?
- Concern about easements—King County needs to clarify this issue for property owners
- There are pilings in lake @187<sup>th</sup>
- Runoff and pollution are resident concerns